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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
HIROMASA MIYAJI ET AL. : Examiner: Shulamith H. Shafer  
Application No.: 09/763,793 ) Group Art Unit: 1647  
Filed: February 27, 2001 ) Confirmation No.: 3687  
For: NUCLEOSIDE TRANSPORTER :  
POLYPEPTIDES AND :  
POLYNUCLEOTIDES ENCODING :  
THE POLYPEPTIDE (AS :  
AMENDED) August 1, 2008

Commissioner for Patents  
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to action on the merits, please consider the following.